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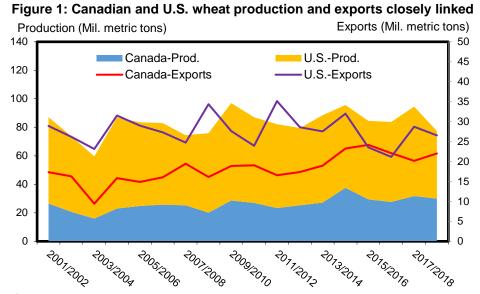
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Wheat Outlook

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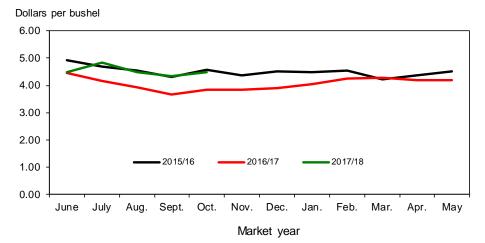
World Production Forecast to be Record-High, U.S. Exports Down Slightly

The forecast for larger Canadian and European Union wheat crops helps to lift 2017/18 global wheat production to a new record high this month. Projections for both global wheat output and trade now exceed last year's records. A sharp increase in wheat supplies in Canada is expected to intensify the competition facing U.S. exports during the latter part of the 2017/18 marketing year.



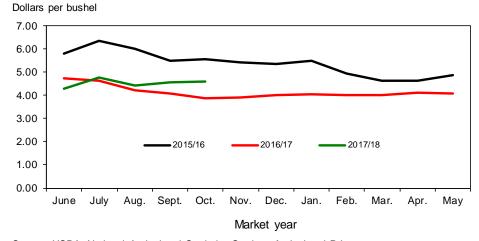
Source: USDA, Foreign Agricultural Service, Production Supply and Distribution database.

Figure 4
Soft red winter wheat average prices received by farmers



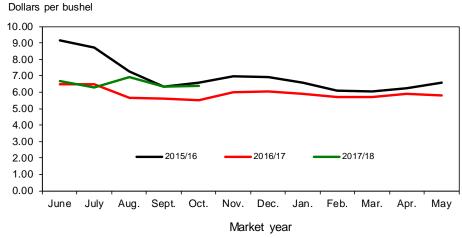
Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Agricultural Prices.

Figure 5
Soft white wheat average prices received by farmers



Source: USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Agricultural Prices.

Figure 6 **Durum wheat average prices received by farmers**



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